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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, CG

SUBJECT: COMMERCIALY EXPLOITABLE OIL FOUND IN ZAIRE

1. FOLLOWING MESSAGE CONTAIN PRIVELEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION NOT TO BE RELEASED BEFORE GOZ AND/OR GULF OIL ANNOUNCEMENT REFERENCED SUBJECT EXPECTED SOON.

2. GULF INFORMED GOZ THIS WEEK THAT OIL DISCOVERED OFF ZAIRE COAST IS ECONOMICALLY EXPLOITABLE. OIL IS OF HIGH QUALITY WITH LOW SULPHUR CONTENT. COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE APRIL 1975 WITH 25,000 BOPD BY JUNE 1975.

3. INVESTMENT IN PROJECT TODATE BY THREE COMPANIES (GULF, JAPAN PETROLEUM ZAIRE AND SOLIZA) IS 25 MILLION DOLLARS WITH ADDITIONAL 30 TO 35 MILLION DOLLARS REQUIRED BEFORE FIRST BARREL OIL PRODUCED. VANCE

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